

STUDENT HANDBOOK AMENDMENTS

1.170 - Student Appearance (Updated 08/23/23)

Pursuant to Public Act 103-463, provides that schools shall not prohibit students from wearing or accessorizing the student's graduation attire with items associated with the student's cultural, ethnic, or religious identity or any other protected characteristic or category identified in the Illinois Human Rights Act.

1.185 - Faith's Law Notifications (Updated 08/23/23)

This new procedure is added pursuant to P.A. 102-676, which requires school districts to include the Employee Code of Professional Conduct in the student handbook.

1.200 - Sexual Abuse Response and Prevention Resource Guide (Updated 08/23/23)

Pursuant to Public Act 102-676, information on where to find the ISBE resource guide entitled "Sexual Abuse Response and Prevention Resource Guide" must be placed in the student handbook.

2.20 - Student Absences (Updated 08/23/23)

Pursuant to Public Act 102-981, school boards must allow "public middle school and high school" students one day-long excused absence per school year for the purpose of attending a civic event.

2.90 - Credit for Proficiency, Non-District Experiences, Course Substitutions, and Accelerated Placement (Updated 08/23/23)

Pursuant to Public Act 102-1077, school districts must begin the process of allowing students who do not otherwise meet a community college's academic eligibility to enroll in a dual credit course taught at the high school, but only for high school credit.

Pursuant to Public Act 101-654 and Public Act 102-209, students who meet or exceed State standards on State assessment tests in English language arts, math, and science must be automatically enrolled in the following school year in the next most rigorous level of advanced course offered by the high school.

2.130 - Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials (Updated 08/23/23)

This new procedure is added to fully comply with PRESS and federal law and notifies parents and guardians of their rights to review and comment on their child's educational curriculum.

3.10 - Fines, Fees, and Charges; Waiver of Student Fees

Pending

6.40 - Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment (Updated 08/23/23)

This amendment to the school's bullying policy is required by Public Act 103-47. The amendment expands the list of students who are protected under the handbook procedure and requires schools to attempt to notify a parent or guardian within 24 hours of the school's administration becoming aware of an alleged bullying incident.

7.50 - Use of Artificial Intelligence (Updated 08/23/23)

This is a discretionary handbook procedure that schools may wish to adopt. It governs the use of Artificial Intelligence in schools.